## CLAIMS

1 [Claim 1]

2 A composition for a charge-transport film,

3 comprising at least:

4 a charge-transporting compound; and

5 an ionic compound selected from the group

6 consisting of the compounds expressed by the

7 following general formulae (1)-(3),

8 [Chemical Formula 1]

$$\left(R^{11} - A^{1} - R^{12}\right)_{n_1} Z_1^{n_1} \qquad (1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} R^{21} \\ I_{+} \\ R^{22} \end{pmatrix} R^{23} n_2 Z_2^{n_2-}$$
 (2)

- wherein in general formulae (1)-(3):
- $R^{11}$ ,  $R^{21}$  and  $R^{31}$  represent, independently of each
- 12 other, an organic group bound to  $A^1-A^3$ ,
- 13 respectively, via a carbon atom;
- $14 ext{ R}^{12}$ ,  $R^{22}$ ,  $R^{23}$  and  $R^{32}-R^{34}$  represent, independently of
- 15 each other, an arbitrary group; two or more

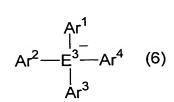
- 16 neighboring groups of  $R^{11}-R^{34}$  may combine together
- 17 to form a ring;
- $A^1-A^3$  each represent an element belonging to the
- 19 third and subsequent periods in the periodic
- 20 table;
- 21 A<sup>1</sup> represents an element belonging to group 17 of
- 22 the long form periodic table;
- 23  $A^2$  represents an element belonging to group 16 of
- 24 the long form periodic table;
- 25 A<sup>3</sup> represents an element belonging to group 15 of
- 26 the long form periodic table;
- $z_1^{n_1}-z_3^{n_3}$  represent, independently of each other,
- 28 a counter anion; and
- 29 nl-n3 represent, independently of each other, an
- 30 ionic valency of the counter anion.
  - 1 [Claim 2]
  - 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
  - 3 defined in claim 1, wherein in the general
  - 4 formulae (1)-(3),  $R^{11}$ ,  $R^{21}$ ,  $R^{31}$  represent,
  - 5 independently of each other, an alkyl group, an
  - 6 alkenyl group, an alkinyl group, an aromatic
  - 7 hydrocarbon group or an aromatic heterocyclic
  - 8 group, which may be substituted.
  - 1 [Claim 3]

- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in claim 1 or claim 2, wherein in the
- 4 general formulae (1)-(3),  $R^{12}$ ,  $R^{22}$ ,  $R^{23}$  and  $R^{32}$ - $R^{34}$
- 5 represent, independently of each other, an alkyl
- 6 group, an alkenyl group, an alkinyl group, an
- 7 aromatic hydrocarbon group or an aromatic
- 8 heterocyclic group, which may be substituted.
- 1 [Claim 4]
- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in any one of claims 1-3, wherein in the
- 4 general formulae (1)-(3),  $R^{11}-R^{34}$  represent,
- 5 independently of each other, an aromatic
- 6 hydrocarbon group or an aromatic heterocyclic
- 7 group, which may be substituted.
- 1 [Claim 5]
- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in any one of claims 1-4, wherein in the
- 4 general formula (1),  $A^1$  is a bromine atom or an
- $\bar{b}$  iodine atom, and in the general formula (2),  $A^2$  is
- 6 a selenium atom or a sulfur atom.
- 1 [Claim 6]
- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in any one of claims 1-5, wherein in the
- 4 general formula (1),  $A^1$  is an iodine atom.

- 1 [Claim 7]
- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in any one of claims 1-6, wherein in the
- 4 general formulae (1)-(3),  $Z_1^{n1}-Z_3^{n3}$  are expressed,
- 5 independently of each other, by any one of the
- 6 general formulae (4)-(6),
- 7 [Chemical Formula 2]

$$E^1X_4^-$$
 (4)

$$E^2X_6^-$$
 (5)



- 9 wherein in the general formulae (1)-(3):
- $10~{
  m E}^1$  and  ${
  m E}^3$  represent, independently of each other,
- 11 an element belonging to group 13 of the long form
- 12 periodic table;
- $13~{\rm E}^2$  represents an element belonging to group 15 of
- 14 the long form periodic table;
- 15 X represents a halogen atom; and
- 16  $Ar^1-Ar^4$  represent, independently of each other, an
- 17 aromatic hydrocarbon group or an aromatic
- 18 heterocyclic group, which may be substituted.
- 1 [Claim 8]

- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in claim 7, wherein in the general
- 4 formulae (4)-(6),  $Z_1^{nl}-Z_3^{n3}$  are expressed,
- 5 independently of each other, by the following
- 6 general formulae (4')-(6'),
- 7 [Chemical Formula 3]

$$PX'_{6}$$
 (5')

$$Ar^{11}$$
 $Ar^{12}$ 
 $B$ 
 $Ar^{13}$ 
 $Ar^{13}$ 
 $Ar^{13}$ 

- 9 wherein in the general formulae (4')-(6'):
- 10 X' represents a fluorine atom or a chlorine atom;
- 11  $Ar^{11}-Ar^{14}$  represent, independently of each other,
- 12 an aromatic hydrocarbon group which may be
- 13 substituted or an aromatic heterocyclic group
- 14 which may be substituted; and
- 15 at least one group of  $Ar^{11}-Ar^{14}$  has one or plural
- 16 fluorine atoms or chlorine atoms as substituents.
  - 1 [Claim 9]
  - 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
  - 3 defined in any one of claims 1-8, wherein said
  - 4 charge-transporting compound is an aromatic
  - 5 tertiary amine compound.

- 1 [Claim 10]
- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in claim 9, wherein said aromatic tertiary
- 4 amine compound is a macromolecule compound whose
- 5 weight-average molecular weight is 1000 or larger
- 6 and 1000000 or smaller.
- 1 [Claim 11]
- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in any one of claims 1-10, further
- 4 comprising an ether solvent and/or an ester
- 5 solvent that dissolves said charge-transporting
- 6 compound and said ionic compound.
- 1 [Claim 12]
- 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
- 3 defined in any one of claims 1-11, wherein said
- 4 composition is used as a material for a charge-
- 5 transport layer of an organic electroluminescence
- 6 device.
- 1 [Claim 13]
- 2 An organic electroluminescence device,
- 3 comprising:
- 4 a substrate;
- 5 an anode and cathode formed on said
- 6 substrate;

- 7 an emitting layer disposed between said
- 8 anode and said cathode; and
- g a layer formed between said anode and said
- 10 emitting layer using a composition for a charge-
- 11 transport film as defined in any one of claims 1-
- 12 12.
  - 1 [Claim 14]
  - 2 An organic electroluminescence device as
  - 3 defined in claim 13, wherein in said layer formed
  - 4 using said composition for a charge-transport film,
  - 5 the content of said ionic compound is 0.1 weight %
  - 6 or higher and 50 weight % or lower.
  - 1 [Claim 15]
  - 2 An organic electroluminescence device as
  - 3 defined in claim 13 or claim 14, further
  - 4 comprising a hole-injection layer and/or a hole-
  - 5 transport layer between said anode and said
  - 6 emitting layer, wherein said hole-injection layer
  - 7 and/or said hole-transport layer is formed using a
  - 8 composition for a charge-transport film as defined
  - 9 in any one of claims 1-12.
  - 1 [Claim 16]
  - 2 An organic electroluminescence device as
  - 3 defined in any one of claims 13-15, wherein said

- 4 layer using said composition for a charge-
- 5 transport film is formed by wet coating method.
- 1 [Claim 17]
- 2 An organic electroluminescence device,
- 3 comprising:
- 4 a substrate;
- 5 an anode and a cathode formed on said
- 6 substrate;
- 7 an emitting layer disposed between said
- 8 anode and said cathode;
- a layer, disposed between said anode and
- 10 said cathode, that contains an ionic compound
- 11 selected from the group consisting of the
- 12 compounds expressed by the following general
- 13 formulae (1) (3),
- [Chemical Formula 4]

$$\left(R^{11} - A^{1} - R^{12}\right)_{n_1} Z_1^{n_1} \qquad (1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} R^{21} \\ I_{+} \\ R^{22} & A^{2} \\ R^{23} & n_{2} \end{pmatrix} n_{2} \quad Z_{2}^{n_{2}-} \quad (2)$$

- 16 wherein in general formulae (1)-(3):
- $17 \quad R^{11}, R^{21}$  and  $R^{31}$  represent, independently of each
- 18 other, an organic group bound to  $A^1-A^3$ ,
- 19 respectively, via a carbon atom;
- $20 R^{12}$ ,  $R^{22}$ ,  $R^{23}$  and  $R^{32}-R^{34}$  represent, independently of
- 21 each other, an arbitrary group; two or more
- 22 neighboring groups of  $R^{11}-R^{34}$  may combine together
- 23 to form a ring;
- $A^1-A^3$  each represent an element belonging to the
- 25 third and subsequent periods in the periodic
- 26 table;
- 27 A<sup>1</sup> represents an element belonging to group 17 of
- 28 the long form periodic table;
- 29  $A^2$  represents an element belonging to group 16 of
- 30 the long form periodic table;
- 31 A<sup>3</sup> represents an element belonging to group 15 of
- 32 the long form periodic table;
- $Z_1^{n1}-Z_3^{n3}$  represent, independently of each other,
- 34 a counter anion; and
- 35 n1-n3 represent, independently of each other, an
- 36 ionic valency of the counter anion.
- 1 [Claim 18]
- 2 A method of producing an organic
- 3 electroluminescence device as defined in any one
- 4 of claims 13-16, comprising the step of drying
- 5 said composition for a charge-transport film by

- 6 heating at a higher temperature than the glass
- 7 transition temperature of said charge-transporting
- 8 compound.
- 1 [Claim 19]
- 2 A method of producing a charge-transport
- 3 film by wet coating method using a composition for
- 4 a charge-transport film as defined in any one of
- 5 claims 1-12, comprising the step of drying said
- 6 composition for a charge-transport film by heating
- 7 at a higher temperature than the glass transition
- 8 temperature of said charge-transporting compound.
- 1 [Claim 20]
- 2 An ionic compound composed of a cation
- 3 radical of a charge-transporting compound and a
- 4 counter anion, wherein said counter anion is
- 5 expressed by the following general formula (7)
- 6 [Chemical Formula 5]

$$Ar^{71}$$
 $Ar^{72}$ 
 $E^{4}$ 
 $Ar^{73}$ 
 $Ar^{73}$ 
 $Ar^{73}$ 
 $Ar^{73}$ 

- 7
- 8 wherein in the general formula (7):
- $9 \quad \text{E}^4$  represents an element belonging to group 13 of
- 10 the long form periodic table; and
- 11  $Ar^{71}-Ar^{74}$  represent, independently of each other,
- 12 an aromatic hydrocarbon group that may have

- 13 substituents or an aromatic heterocyclic group
- 14 that may have substituents.
  - 1 [Claim 21]
  - 2 An ionic compound as defined in claim 20,
  - 3 wherein said cation radical of a charge-
  - 4 transporting compound is an aminium cation radical.
  - 1 [Claim 22]
  - 2 An ionic compound as defined in claim 20 or
  - 3 claim 21, wherein in the general formula (7),  $E^4$
  - 4 is a boron atom or a gallium atom, and at least
  - 5 one of  $Ar^{71}$ - $Ar^{74}$  is a group that has one or plural
  - 6 electron-accepting substituents or nitrogen-
  - 7 containing aromatic heterocyclic groups.
  - 1 [Claim 23]
  - 2 An ionic compound as defined in any one of
  - 3 claims 20-22, wherein said counter anion is
  - 4 expressed by the following formula (8) or formula
  - 5 (9)
  - 6 [Chemical Formula 6]

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1 [Claim 24]

2 An ionic compound as defined in any one of

3 claims 20-23, wherein said cation radical of the

4 charge-transporting compound is expressed by the

5 following general formula (10),

6 [Chemical Formula 7]

$$Ar^{81} R^{81} R^{84} Ar^{84}$$

$$Ar^{82} R^{82} R^{83} Ar^{83}$$
(10)

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8 wherein in the general formula (10):

9 Ar<sup>81</sup>-Ar<sup>84</sup> represent, independently of each other,

10 an aromatic hydrocarbon group that may have

- 11 substituents or an aromatic heterocyclic group
- 12 that may have substituents; and
- $13 \quad R^{81}-R^{84}$  represent, independently of each other, an
- 14 arbitrary group.
  - 1 [Claim 25]
  - 2 An ionic compound as defined in any one of
  - 3 claims 20-24, wherein said cation radical of the
  - 4 charge-transporting compound has a structure
  - 5 obtained by removing an electron from a repetitive
  - 6 unit of an aromatic tertiary amine macromolecule
  - 7 compound whose weight-average molecular weight is
  - 8 1000 or larger and 1000000 or smaller.
  - 1 [Claim 26]
  - 2 An ionic compound as defined in any one of
  - 3 claims 20-24, wherein said compound is used as an
  - 4 ingredient of a charge-transport film.
  - 1 [Claim 27]
  - 2 A composition for a charge-transport film,
  - 3 comprising an ionic compound as defined in any one
  - 4 of claims 20-26.
  - 1 [Claim 28]
  - 2 A composition for a charge-transport film as
  - 3 defined in claim 27, wherein said composition is

- 4 used as a material for a charge-transport layer of
- 5 an organic electroluminescence device.
- 1 [Claim 29]
- 2 A charge transport film, comprising an ionic
- 3 compound as defined in any one of claims 20-26.
- 1 [Claim 30]
- 2 An organic electroluminescence device,
- 3 comprising:
- 4 a substrate;
- 5 an anode and a cathode formed on said
- 6 substrate;
- 7 an emitting layer disposed between said
- 8 anode and said cathode; and
- 9 a layer disposed between said anode and said
- 10 cathode, said layer containing an ionic compound
- 11 as defined in any one of claims 20-26.
- 1 [Claim 31]
- 2 An organic electroluminescence device,
- 3 comprising:
- 4 a substrate;
- 5 an anode and a cathode formed on said
- 6 substrate;
- 7 an emitting layer disposed between said
- 8 anode and said cathode; and

- g a layer disposed between said anode and said
- 10 cathode, said layer being formed by wet
- 11 application method using a composition for a
- 12 charge-transport film as defined in claim 27 or
- 13 claim 28.
  - 1 [Claim 32]
  - 2 An electron-accepting compound to be
  - 3 contained in a charge-transport film together with
  - 4 a charge-transporting compound, wherein a
  - 5 resistivity RR1 [ $\Omega$ cm] of a charge-transport film 1,
  - 6 which is composed of said electron-accepting
  - 7 compound and a charge-transporting compound, and
  - 8 resistivity  $RR_0$  [ $\Omega$ cm] of a charge-transport film 2,
  - 9 which is composed of a charge-transporting
- 10 compound, meet the following relation
- 11  $RR_1/RR_0 < 8 \times 10^{-2}$
- 12 on the conditions:
- 13 that a same compound is used as the charge-
- 14 transporting compounds contained in the charge-
- 15 transport film 1 and the charge-transport film 2;
- 16 and
- 17 that the resistivity is the value of {field
- 18 intensity [V/cm]/current density [A/cm²]} where
- 19 the {field intensity [V/cm]/current density
- 20 [A/cm $^2$ ]} is obtained from a field intensity to be
- 21 applied when a charge-transport film having a film

- 22 thickness of between 100-200 nm and a current-
- 23 carrying area of 0.04 cm<sup>2</sup> carries an electric
- 24 current corresponding to a current density of
- 25 between 4-6 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> while being sandwiched between
- 26 an anode and a cathode.
  - 1 [Claim 33]
  - 2 A composition for a charge-transport film,
  - 3 comprising:
  - a charge-transporting compound; and
  - 5 an electron-accepting compound as defined in
  - 6 claim 32.
  - 1 [Claim 34]
  - 2 A charge transport film, comprising:
  - 3 a charge-transporting compound; and
  - an electron-accepting compound as defined in
  - 5 claim 32.
  - 1 [Claim 35]
  - 2 An organic electroluminescence device,
  - 3 comprising a charge-transport film as defined in
  - 4 claim 34.